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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, January 15, 2021, at 10 a.m.

House of Representatives

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2021

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BROWN).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
January 13, 2021.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ANTHONY G. BROWN to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

God, our judge, nothing is hidden from Your sight. Thus, we stand before You to give account for our role in today's momentous decisions. In our deepest desire to carry out our responsibilities to govern, protect, and preserve this Nation, while yet unsettled by the events of this past week, we find ourselves seizing the scales of justice from the jaws of mobocracy.

Almighty God, wield Your sword and penetrate the confusion and discontent of our country. Lay bare our attitudes of vengeance that You would show us how to serve as instruments of Your pure judgment and peace. Divide our rhetoric from the light of Your truth. Judge our partisan thoughts and convict us to attend to the common good.

We have taken our obligations freely, but we remain beholden to Your guidance. Hold us, then, accountable to Your powerful Word.

In the strength of Your holy name, we pray.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(A) of House Resolution 8, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. McGOVERN) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. McGOVERN led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess for a period of less than 15 minutes.

Accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro

tempore (Mr. BROWN) at 9 o'clock and 16 minutes a.m.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H. RES. 24, IMPEACHING DONALD JOHN TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR HIGH CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 41 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 41

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order without intervention of any point of order to consider in the House the resolution (H. Res. 24) impeaching Donald John Trump, President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution and on any amendment thereto to adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question except two hours of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary or their respective designees.

SEC. 2. Until completion of proceedings enabled by the first section of this resolution—
(a) the Chair may decline to entertain any intervening motion, resolution, question, or notice; and
(b) the Chair may decline to entertain the question of consideration.

SEC. 3. Upon adoption of House Resolution 24—
(a) House Resolution 40 is hereby adopted; and
(b) no other resolution incidental to impeachment relating to House Resolution 24

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